

07-27-05

IFJ



Filed Via Express Mail pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.10

Record No.: 4796997545

On: Jul 26-05

By: Patricia Muir

Patricia Muir

Any fee due as a result of this paper, not covered by an enclosed check, may be charged on Deposit Acct. No. 50-1290.

**Attorney Docket No. 100806-00250 [NECPW 20.920]**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No.: 10/767,229  
Filing Date: January 29, 2004  
Inventor(s): Takuya MARUYAMA et al.  
Title: **METHOD OF MANUFACTURING A SEMICONDUCTOR  
DEVICE AND APPARATUS FOR MANUFACTURING A  
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE**  
Examiner Name: Theresa T. Doan  
Group Art Unit: 2814  
Confirmation No.: 2593

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

July 26, 2005

**ELECTION**

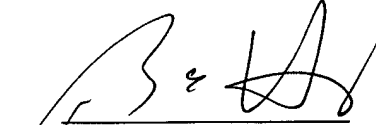
**SIR/MADAM:**

In response to the Office Action mailed on June 28, 2005, the period for responding thereto having been set to expire after July 28, 2005, Applicants hereby elect Group I corresponding to claims 1-12 and 15.

Applicants reserve the right to file a continuing and/or divisional application directed to any unelected claims. Early examination on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Any fee due with this paper, not fully covered by an enclosed check, may be charged on  
Deposit Account 50-1290.

Respectfully submitted,

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Brian E. Hennessey  
Reg. No. 51,271

**CUSTOMER NUMBER 026304**

Telephone: (212) 940-8800

Fax: (212) 940-8986 or 8987

Docket No.: 100806-00250 [NECPW 20.920 ]

BEH:pm